

AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

This listing of claims as marked herein will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

1. (original) A method of cooling a feed liquid comprising forming at least one sheet of flowing particles of the feed liquid and directing cryogen at the particles from both sides of the sheet.
2. (currently amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the forming at least one sheet of flowing particles is formed by comprises atomising the feed liquid.
3. (currently amended) The method according to claim 2, wherein the atomizing the feed liquid is atomised by comprises providing a compressed gas to the feed liquid.
4. (currently amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the [[said]] forming at least one sheet is essentially planar comprises directing the flowing particles of the feed liquid through a rectangular outlet wherein said flowing particles assume an essentially planar arrangement.
5. (currently amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the [[said]] forming at least one sheet [[is]] comprises directing the flowing particles of the feed liquid through a curved outlet wherein said flowing particles assume an arrangement as a curved sheet.

6. (previously amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the cryogen is a liquefied gas.
7. (previously amended) The method according to claim 6, wherein the liquefied gas is liquid nitrogen.
8. (currently amended) The method according to claim 1, ~~wherein the feed liquid is atomised with~~ further comprising cooling the particles with the cryogen, forming a compressed gas which is formed of from vapour evolved by [[the]] liquefied gas [[in]] during the cooling the particles and atomizing the feed liquid with the compressed gas.
9. (currently amended) The method according to claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising solidifying the particles ~~are solidified~~ by contact with the cryogen.
10. (previously amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the particles of the feed liquid have an average size less than 50µm.
11. (currently amended) The method according to claim 10, wherein further comprising cooling the particles ~~are cooled~~ by the cryogen at a rate of at least 1000 K/s.
12. (previously amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the feed liquid is an edible substance.
13. (currently amended) The method according to claim ~~[[12]]~~ 1, wherein the feed liquid is a molten fat or oil.
14. Claims 14-34 canceled.